STATE OF CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY DEPARTMENT OF TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL

In the Matter of:

Docket HWCA 2006-1157

ENVIROCYCLE, INC. dba ENVIROCYCLE 11383 NEWPORT DRIVE RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CALIFORNIA 91730 ID No. CUW0000025 CONSENT ORDER

Respondent.

Health and Safety Code Section 25187

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (Department) and Envirocycle Inc. dba EVC-Envirocycle (Respondent) enter into this Consent Order (Order) and agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Site.</u> Respondent handle, treats and stores Universal Waste Electronic Devices (UWEDs) and Cathode Ray Tubes (CRTs), hazardous wastes, at the following site: 11383 Newport Drive, Rancho Cucamonga, California, 91730 (Site).
 - 2. The Department inspected the Site on May 3, 10 and 18, 2006.
 - 3. The Department alleges the following violations:
- 3.1. Respondent violated Health and Safety Code, section 25202 (a) and California Code of Regulations, title 22, section 66273.83 (c) (1), in that on or about May 3, 2006, and on or about May 10, 2006, Respondent treated UWEDs without a Permit or Grant of Authorization from the Department in that Respondent removed the yokes by breaking the CRT glass.
- 3.2. Respondent violated California Code of Regulations, title 22, section 66273.33(d)(1)(A) and section 66273.83(a)(1) in that on or about

- May 3, 2006, and again on May 10, 2006, Respondent failed to keep the lids closed on various containers or boxes that contained UWEDs, broken CRT glass and CRT devices.
- 3.3. Respondent violated California Code of Regulations, title 22, section 66273.34(d) and section 66273.84(a),(b),(c), and (d) in that on or about May 3, 2006 and May 10, 2006, Respondent failed to have labels denoting the contents on various containers or boxes containing UWEDs, broken CRT glass and CRT devices.
- 4. The parties wish to avoid the expense of litigation and to ensure prompt compliance.
 - 5. Jurisdiction exists pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 25187.
 - 6. Respondent waives any right to a hearing in this matter.
- 7. This Consent Order shall constitute full settlement of the violations alleged above, but does not limit the Department from taking appropriate enforcement action concerning other violations.
 - 8. Respondent admits the violations alleged.

SCHEDULE FOR COMPLIANCE

- 9. Respondent shall comply with the following:
- 9.1. Effective immediately, Respondent shall not break the CRT glass tubes when removing the yoke.
- 9.2. Effective immediately, Respondent shall immediately close the lids for any container holding UWEDs, broken CRT glass, and CRT devices unless adding or removing wastes. Thereafter, Respondent must follow all applicable requirements for disposal of UWEDs and CRTs. The violation describe in section 3.2 has been corrected. No further action or submittal is required for this violation.
- 9.3. Effective immediately, Respondent shall label all containers as a Universal Waste and follow all other applicable requirements for UWEDs and

CRTs. The violation describe in section 3.3 has been corrected. No further action or submittal is required for this violation.

10.. <u>Submittals</u>: All submittals from Respondent pursuant to this Consent Order shall be sent simultaneously to:

Yvonne Sanchez, Chief Southern California Branch Statewide Compliance Division Department of Toxic Substances Control 5796 Corporate Avenue Cypress, California 90630

And to:

Juan Jimenez, Chief San Diego Border Unit Southern California Branch Statewide Compliance Division Department of Toxic Substances Control 9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 150 San Diego, California 92123

- 10.1. <u>Communications</u>: All approvals and decisions of the Department made regarding such submittals and notifications shall be communicated to Respondent in writing by a Branch Chief, Department of Toxic Substances Control, or his/her designee. No informal advice, guidance, suggestions, or comments by the Department regarding reports, plans, specifications, schedules, or any other writings by Respondent shall be construed to relieve Respondent of its obligation to obtain such formal approvals as may be required.
- 10.2. Department Review and Approval: If the Department determines that any report, plan, schedule, or other document submitted for approval pursuant to this Consent Order fails to comply with the Order or fails to protect public health or safety or the environment, the Department may return the document to Respondent with recommended changes and a date by which Respondent must submit to the Department a revised document incorporating the recommended changes.

- 10.3. <u>Compliance with Applicable Laws</u>: Respondent shall carry out this Order in compliance with all local, State, and federal requirements, including but not limited to requirements to obtain permits and to assure worker safety.
- 10.4. Endangerment during Implementation: In the event that the Department determines that any circumstances or activity (whether or not pursued in compliance with this Consent Order) are creating an imminent or substantial endangerment to the health or welfare of people on the site or in the surrounding area or to the environment, the Department may order Respondent to stop further implementation for such period of time as needed to abate the endangerment. Any deadline in this Consent Order directly affected by a Stop Work Order under this section shall be extended for the term of such Stop Work Order.
- 10.5. <u>Liability</u>: Nothing in this Consent Order shall constitute or be construed as a satisfaction or release from liability for any conditions or claims arising as a result of past, current, or future operations of Respondent, except as provided in this Consent Order. Notwithstanding compliance with the terms of this Consent Order, Respondent may be required to take further actions as are necessary to protect public health or welfare or the environment.
- 10.6. Site Access: Access to the Site shall be provided at all reasonable times to employees, contractors, and consultants of the Department, and any agency having jurisdiction. Nothing in this Consent Order is intended to limit in any way the right of entry or inspection that any agency may otherwise have by operation of any law. The Department and its authorized representatives may enter and move freely about all property at the Site at all reasonable times for purposes including but not limited to: inspecting records, operating logs, and contracts relating to the Site; reviewing the progress of Respondent in carrying out the terms of this Consent Order; and conducting such tests as the Department may deem necessary. Respondent shall permit such persons to inspect and copy all

records, documents, and other writings, including all sampling and monitoring data, in any way pertaining to work undertaken pursuant to this Consent Order.

- 10.7. Sampling, Data, and Document Availability: Respondent shall permit the Department and its authorized representatives to inspect and copy all sampling testing, monitoring, and other data generated by Respondent or on Respondent's behalf in any way pertaining to work undertaken pursuant to this Consent Order. Respondent shall allow the Department and its authorized representatives to take duplicates of any samples collected by Respondent pursuant to this Consent Order. Respondent shall maintain a central depository of the data, reports, and other documents prepared pursuant to this Consent Order. All such data, reports, and other documents shall be preserved by Respondent for a minimum of six years after the conclusion of all activities under this Consent Order. If the Department requests that some or all of these documents be preserved for a longer period of time, Respondent shall either comply with that request, deliver the documents to the Department, or permit the Department to copy the documents prior to destruction. Respondent shall notify the Department in writing at least six months prior to destroying any documents prepared pursuant to this Consent Order.
- 10.8. Government Liabilities: The State of California shall not be liable for injuries or damages to persons or property resulting from acts or omissions by Respondent or related parties specified in paragraph 12.3, in carrying out activities pursuant to this Consent Order, nor shall the State of California be held as a party to any contract entered into by Respondent or its agents in carrying out activities pursuant to this Consent Order.
- 10.9. <u>Incorporation of Plans and Reports</u>: All plans, schedules, and reports that require Department approval and are submitted by Respondent pursuant to this Consent Order are incorporated in this Consent Order upon approval by the Department.

- 10.10. Extension Requests: If Respondent is unable to perform any activity or submit any document within the time required under this Consent Order, the Respondent may, prior to expiration of the time, request an extension of time in writing. The extension request shall include a justification for the delay.
- 10.11. Extension Approvals: If the Department determines that good cause exists for an extension, it will grant the request and specify in writing a new compliance schedule.

PAYMENTS:

11. Within 30 days of the effective date of this Consent Order, Respondent shall pay the Department a total of \$16, 000.00, of which \$6,000.00 is a penalty, \$5,000.00 is a credit for attendance of Compliance School and \$5,000.00 is for reimbursement of the Department's costs. Respondent's check shall be made payable to the Department of Toxic Substances Control, and shall identify the Respondent and Docket Number (Docket HWCA2006-1157) on the check. Respondent shall transmit the penalty payments to:

Department of Toxic Substances Control Accounting Office 1001 I Street, 21st floor P. O. Box 806 Sacramento, California 95812-0806

A photocopy of the check shall be sent to:

Yvonne Sanchez, Branch Chief Southern California Branch Statewide Compliance Division Department of Toxic Substances Control 5796 Corporate Avenue Cypress, California 90630

And to:

Juan Jimenez, Chief Border Unit - Southern California Branch Statewide Compliance Division Department of Toxic Substances Control 9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 150 San Diego, California 92123 If Respondent fails to make payment as provided above, Respondent agrees to pay interest at the rate established pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 25360.1, and to pay all costs incurred by the Department in pursuing collection including attorney's fees.

- 11. 2. Respondent hereby agrees to send at least two (2) employees to all of the California Compliance School (Modules I-IV). Respondent has received a \$5,000.00 credit provided that within 90 days of effective date of this Consent Order, two employees satisfactorily complete Compliance School. Attendance must be completed and the Respondent must submit a Certificate of Satisfactory Completion issued by the California Compliance School to the Department within 30 days after attendance of these courses. If the respondent fails to submit the Certificates as required, within a total of 120 days, the penalty of \$5,000.00 is due and payable. The 90-day period may be extended by a Department Branch Chief or his designee, upon written request demonstrating good cause from Respondent.
- 11. 3. Interest and costs. If Respondent fails to make payment as provided above, Respondent agrees to pay interest at the rate established pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 25360.1 and to pay all costs incurred by the Department in pursuing collection including attorney's fees.

OTHER PROVISIONS

- 12.1. <u>Additional Enforcement Actions</u>: By agreeing to this Consent Order, the Department does not waive the right to take further enforcement actions, except to the extent provided in this Consent Order.
- 12.2. <u>Penalties for Noncompliance</u>: Failure to comply with the terms of this Consent Order may subject Respondent to civil penalties and/or punitive damages for any costs incurred by the Department or other government agencies as a result of such failure, as provided by Health and Safety Code section 25188 and other applicable provisions of law.

- 12.3. <u>Parties Bound</u>: This Consent Order shall apply to and be binding upon Respondent and its officers, directors, agents, receivers, trustees, employees, contractors, consultants, successors, and assignees, including but not limited to individuals, partners, and subsidiary and parent corporations, and upon the Department and any successor agency that may have responsibility for and jurisdiction over the subject matter of this Consent Order.
- 12.4. <u>Effective Date</u>: The effective date of this Consent Order is the date it is signed by the Department.
- 12.5. <u>Integration</u>: This agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and may not be amended, supplemented, or modified, except as provided in this agreement.

Dated: September 18, 2006 Original signed by Troy Ruhrer

Mr. Troy Ruhrer Vice President of West Coast Operations. Amandi Services, Inc. a.k.a. Envirocycle, Inc. dba EVC-Envirocycle

Dated: September 18, 2006 Original signed by Juan Manuel Jimenez

Juan Manuel Jimenez, Chief Border Unit Statewide Compliance Division

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